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THE FRONTIER, O'NEILL, NEBRASKA, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1946.

REA Construction May Begin April 1

Officials Let Contracts Warren A. Caywood for Initial Building Materials

TO COMMENCE HERE

In a special meeting held here of the board of directors of the trict-purchased material to be used in initial construction operations. At the same time, the district's officials learned that actual construction operations may begin about April 1, 1947.

that delivery of the material was expected "in about 60 days" after the contract has been formally approved. Poles and other material were included in the transaction.

Wire and transformers will be delivered as needed.

Engineer Here

Meanwhile, the district engineer has been in the territory the past week making a preliminary survey regarding the permanent right-of-way of the power lines. W. R. Richardson, of the Henningson Engineering company, of Omaha, is surveying the field for

ed \$539,000 will be required.

proposal would serve approxi- college she came to Butler counditional 290 members. The "B" mately 340 places.

2,500 Miles of Line

in the four-county area."

may also be served.

Mrs. William Decker,

PAGE-Word has been received here by friends of the death of Mrs. William Decker, 85, which occurred November 16 at her home at Lincoln.

The Decker family came here shortly after Page was founded, Mr. Decker being section foreman on the Burlington railroad for several years. They later moved to a farm northwest of Page. While in that community Mrs. Decker taught in several rural schools.

She is survived by her husband; two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Hoke and Miss Beryl Decker, both of Lincoln; and two sons, Lynne W., of Lincoln, and Ron-ald, Tulsa, Okla.

Catrons Open New

CHAMBERS-Boge Catron, of Neligh, has opened a store in the building formerly occupied by a hatchery, which he operated.

His wife and son, Jack, have been assisting. The store was formally opened Saturday.

Pfc Lester Strong Now a Paratrooper

Pfc Lester Strong, of O'Neill, recently qualified as an Army paratrooper after completing five

ATTENDS FUNERAL

Miss Kathryn McCarthy went ceipt of the news of the death of a friend, Miss Helen Hughes, who was buried Monday.

went to Grand Island Tuesday to A. Walker residence in Page, and meet Mrs. DeBacker's mother, expects to move here soon. Mrs. Crennan, of Denver, Colo., who will visit here.

Mrs. Dana Hursh, of Superior, arrived Friday to visit her daughter, Mrs. O. M. Herre.

Dies at Home of Sister

ther of Mrs. Roy Lowry and Holt county agricultural conser-Charles Caywood, both of O'- vation administration in the anlated heart condition, the attend- here. Fred R. Mack, of Atkinson, last Thursday night, the members ing physician said. He had been was named vice-chairman; Al J. son.

> church there. The late Mr. Caywood was

born at Modale, Ia. He came to O'Neill in March, 1946, to reside A spokesman for the board said with his sister, Mrs. Lowry. His clude one son, two daughters, four brothers, one sister, and onehalf-brother.

RITES FRIDAY FOR PIONEER TEACHER

Mrs. Henry Hookstra, 82, Rescued Pupils in Blizzard of 1888

both the already approved and future construction plans in the four-county district—Holt, Boyd, Knox and Wheeler.

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schoolteaching. On the historic day of January bur L. Urban, all of Ewing. John T. Murray, of Spencer, at- 12, 1888, she was enroute to her torney for the district, told The school when the balmy day was Walter F. Ries, Atkinson; Joseph officials indicated that Mr. Mar-Frontier that the corporation is suddenly transformed into a Wagman, Atkinson; Leon A. "planning on 2,500 miles of lines swirling storm. She gathered together her pupils and they be-In addition to rural patrons, a gan walking towards the place O'Neill; Ren J. Kroupa, Atkinnumber of towns and villages where Miss Wallace boarded. They headed southeast. One The line construction is expect- large boy was headstrong and the ed to begin at O'Neill, where the teacher had to restrain him to REA district will buy current keep the group intact. Some of through an arrangement with the the children were "dropped-off" Consumers Public Power dis- at their homes and the group finally made it to the teacher's Storjohann, Spencer.

boarding place. Mr. Hookstra, a young cattleman, insisted that she resign from Formerly of Page, Dies teaching and they were married on June 26, 1888. They moved to Holt county in 1900 where they ranched extensively near Atkinson for many years. Mrs. Hookstra was a member of the Methodist church and the Eastern Star lodge.

Survivors include the widower; three daughters, Mrs. Merle Doyle, of Phoenix, Ariz.; Mrs. Verne Mullgardt, of Kansas City, Mo., and Mrs. Quentin Olson, of Boone, Ia.

Special Services to Close Sunday

CHAMBERS-The special evangelistic services being conducted here by the "flying evan-Lincoln, will close Sunday eve- | Robertson, all of O'Neill. ning, according to Rev. Lawrence Chambers Store McElheran, pastor of the Baptist church where the services are be-

> ing held. Rev. Handel is a former member of the quartet on the widelyknown "Back to the Bible" radio program. He goes from here to Marion, Kans., traveling by air.

Band Mothers View Uniforms at Lincoln

Mrs. E. M. Gallagher, Mrs. H. J. Birmingham, Mrs. D. C. Schaffer. Mrs. Harry Peterson and Ms. R. L. Bode spent Saturday jumps from an airborne plane at a jumping school at Sendai, Jathe Music Educators' clinic held

They represented the O'Neill band mothers who are sponsoring to Omaha late Sunday upon re- a movement to provide uniforms. They returned Sunday.

BUYS HOME IN PAGE PAGE-Mrs. Anna Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. DeBacker of Inman, has purchased the E.

Mrs. J. S. Noble has returned from an extended visit at Los Angeles and Hollywood, Calif. Enroute she visited relatives at Nebraska City and Omaha.

RESSEL REELECTED AG CHAIRMAN

County, Community Posts

Harry E. Ressel, of Chambers, Sauser, of O'Neill, third member

conservation program in the county. Twenty-five community tion of the county officers.

The community committeemen, during recent weeks, follow:

Antelope and Iowa - Lyndley J Crumley, LuVern VanConett, Milo V. Landreth, all of Page. Atkinson-Joseph W. Rocke, Warren W. Marr, Sylvester R. Tushla, all of Atkinson.

Chambers and Shamrock-Joseph T. Serck, Herman R. Holcomb, Clarence C. Young, all of Cleveland and Dustin-Charles

M. Mulford, Stuart; Adrian L. Mitchell, Dustin; William J. Meusch, Butte.

Ewing and Golden-Doyal D.

Livingston, Atkinson. Inman—Leo P. Mossman, Vernon J. Davis, Chester C. Young, at Fremont.

all of Inman.

Emmet and Pleasantview -Beckwith, Emmet. Rock Falls-Henry E. Vequist.

Lvle Vequist, O'Neill. Sandcreek - Patrick W. Kil-

murry, George H. Beck, Dolphus W. Allard, all of Atkinson. Coleman and Saratoga - Romaine J. Rohde, Spencer; Ulysses E. Owen, O'Neill; John F.

Scott-August H. Oberle, Rodney H. Tomlinson, Frank McDonald, all of Dorsey. Willowdale — William Derickson, Elmer A. Juracek, Nels A.

Linquist, all of Star. Sheridan- John E. Flannery, James A. Beck, Frank J. Prussa, all of Atkinson.

Ernst, all of O'Neill.

Steel Creek-Herschel H.Miles, Dorsey; Richard B. Marston, Walnut; Eddie Hrbek, Redbird. Stuart-Ora R. Yarges, Gilbert J. Engler, Joe P. Kunz, all of

Stuart. Liermann, Louis W. Barthel, Ira ber-23. W. Liermann, all of Amelia. Paddock — Fred W. Lindberg,

gelist," Rev. J. Darrel Handel, of George D. Hansen, Samuel R. ATTENDING 'U'

LINCOLN - Andrew McAllister, of Middlebranch, and Marvin Sobotka, of Inman, are attending the University of Nebraska.

40th Annual Christmas Seal Drive Underway

Other Officers Named for The period of November 25 to December 25, 1946, has been officially designated by Gov. Dwight Griswold as Christmas Many Families Reunite

seal month in Nebraska. "This year," said Gov. Griswold in his proclamation, "in keeping with its tradition, the Nebraska Tuberculosis association will con-Warren A. Caywood, 73, a bro- was reelected chairman of the duct its 40th annual Christmas Neill, died here Sunday at 1:30 nual organization meeting held p.m. Death was caused by a distance of the courthouse annex lated heavy condition the attendance of the courthouse annex tipued through the Chair and set about to give thanks and stuart Federated church.

Niobrara Valley Electric Membership corporation—a recently-oganized rural electrification dis-oganized rural electrificat damin, Ia., by Biglin Brothers, O'Nein, first afternate, and O'ld through the use of Christmas seal a likely substitute is a chicken, from farming about six years where funeral services were held where funeral services were held ternate. Both Mack and Sauser funds. Last year, tuberculosis pheasant or a duck. And for claimed 173 Nebraska lives, and those with whom fowl is not pop-They will administer the 1947 there have been 523 newly-re- ular, the meat counters have been ported cases of this disease in our filled recently with choice cuts. county. Twenty-five community delegates participated in the elecunabated, and I know that Ne- raised fowl, too. health of our people."

McCullough, of O'Neill, who is holiday. directing the seal-selling campaign in Holt county rural schools, said the drive began Monday, and there were early indications that more seals will be sold this year than a year ago. Town and city schools are selling the seals separately.

VET CONDUCTOR DIES SUDDENLY

Archie Martin Found Dead in Hotel Room at Long Pine

Archie Martin, 70, of Fremont, a passenger train conductor on Grattan-John T. Murray, Or- the Chicago and North Western

Edward A. Bouska, Stuart; Ira A. because of his numerous "runs" through here with the railroad,

A telegrapher at Long Pine dis-Lake and McClure-Magne B. covered the dead body stretched Goranson, James M. Hawk, Wil- across the bed when he went to summon Mr. Martin for the eastbound run that night. Company tin may have become ill while making out routine reports at his desk. Death was believed to have

been caused by a heart ailment. He had been eligible for retirement for several years, but was postponing the event until January 1, 1947. He was born October 13, 1876, in Columbia City, Ind, and entered the North Western railway service in 1902. He was promoted from brakeman to conductor on October 10, 1907.

New Parsonage at **Chambers Dedicated**

CHAMBERS — The Lutherans here Sunday marked the completion of a new parsonage. Rev. R. Shields - Lloyd A. Whaley, Griese, of Utica, was the speaker Francis R. Sullivan, Homer J. for the dedication service Sunday morning, and Rev. H. K. Nier-Verdigris-Walter E. Snyder, man, of Laurel, formerly of Harry S. Harper, Plen E. Nickel, Chambers, was the afternoon speaker.

Dinner was served in the church basement.

MARRIAGE LICENSES John William Nickel, 55, of Elm

tuart.
Swan and Josie — Claude C. Creek, and Mrs. Elizabeth
Schmohr, 51, of O'Neill, Novem-Robert G. Horner, 37, and Miss

Maralee Krasha, 26, both of Atkinson, November 25. Genelle Irene Held, 20, both of Chambers, November 25.

left Sunday for Portland, Ore., Lou Shrader before her October

for First Time Since Before the War

The wellknown turkey gobbler got the ax at sunrise today (Thursday) as Holt countyans giving style.

"People of Nebraska are well the feast will be as bountiful as turned from an extended visit

braskans will give their support All stores in O'Neill are closed selected in a series of elections most willingly to this struggle for the occasion, and both the which means so much to the O'Neill public school and St. Mary's academy dismissed pupils County Superintendent Elja late Wednesday for a two-day

Hold Union Service

Busses leaving here were congested with boarding pupils departing for their respective Incoming busses were returning college students and others to their homes here.

The Protestant churches united in a Thanksgiving service at the the sermon, and other pastors as-

lar masses were conducted. For many Holt county families tery.
this is the first Thanksgiving An since before the war when all members have been able to be together.

The day is also being marked with the usual round of entertaining of relatives and friends. Both Danceland ballroom at O'-

14 More Soil Plans Are Completed

Fourteen more farmers and ranchers have completed conservation plans for their land, and their plans have been approved by the Holt county soil conservation district. They are D. R. Mounts and Elmer Allyn, Lofquest estate and James Allyn, Alfred Anderson, L. C. Rakow, Edward S. Early, Marion Davis, Clarence Gilg, Fred Zink and George Keidel, Lewis Sobotka, Thomas Welch, John Babl, Lewis Sobotka, D. A.

Schafer, and A. F. Bartlett. D. E. Bowen, of the conservation district, has pointed out that interest in the conservation program continues to be "good." This is indicated, he said, by the requests for assist-ance from the district's techni-

cians in preparing plans. Recent requests have been made by Lloyd Evans, R. M. Kurtz, Joe J. Weber and Elizabeth Bergman, George and Richard Wadsworth, Nellie Overton and Harold Shaw, N .D. Ickes, Alex and Paul Forsythe, W .J. McDonough, John Juracek, Adam Tindall and Ira Livingston, Lillian Purnell, Fred Zink, Lewis Sobotka, and Lof-

quest estate. Farmers interested in receiving assistance from the district should apply at the office in the basement of the courthouse annex, Bowen said.

Departs for San Diego -Mrs. Gerald Wettlaufer, clerk of the Holt county court, is de-Donald A. Shonka, 23, and Miss parting today (Thursday), for San Diego, Calif., where she will join her husband, who is currently stationed there with the Navy. Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Schelkopf Mrs. Wettlaufer was Miss Mary

3 Countyans Win PFL Recognition

Heart Attack Fatal To D. A. Gardner

STUART-D. A. Gardner, 79, will be buried here Friday fol-

ing a heart attack. Death came For most Holt county families within 24 hours after he had re-The late Mr. Gardner retired

> Survivors include four sons: Floyd, Glen, Paul, and Earl; and three daughters, Mrs. W. J. Holliday, and Mrs. Walter Gill, both

of Stuart, and Mrs. Lyle Radcliffe, of Bassett. JOHN J. HARLEY

Retired Holt Rancher **Buried Monday at** Atkinson

DIES AT NORFOLK

ATKINSON - John J. Harley, Assembly of God church at 9 a.m. 82, a wealthy retired rancher, Rev. Lloyd W. Mullis, pastor of died Friday in a Norfolk hospithe Methodist church, delivered tal following an operation. Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. ation, was unable to be present Monday in St. John's Evangeli- for the recognition ceremonies. At St. Patrick's Catholic regu- cal Lutheran church here, and burial was in the Atkinson ceme-

Mr. Harley conducted exten-In 1915, Mr. and Mrs. Harley

daughters, Mrs. Alma Knutson, ers. and Mrs. Marguerite Grosse, both of Cedar Bluffs.

Frosh Spill Seniors

in St. Mary's Tourney The freshmen spilled the sen-Pat Hickey, Gerry Gatz, Ray Sullivan and Dick Hynes, all of mores 21-16.

Church Youths Gather from 5 Towns

bers, O'Neill and Page attended respective counties, all interested a Youth Fellowship booth festi- stockmen were invited to go on

and evening.
Nearly 300 cans of fruits and vegetables were received to be have run as high as 1,000. sent to the Crowell home at During the worship service, Rev. E. G. Whale, of the Ewing

ious slides on a screen.

O'NEILL HOSPITAL NOTES. . Mrs. Edward McManus and infant son, of O'Neill, were released Wednesday. . . Mrs. Dale Rezell, of Star, was admitted Saturday and dismissed Wednesday . . Mrs. Lewis Bartas, of Page,

dismissed Wednesday. Mrs. Walter Pease and infant daughter, of Emmet, were dismissed Saturday. . . Annette Johnson, of O'Neill, was admitted Wednesday for a tonsilecto-

PAGE—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wanser, Bid Wanser, Max Wanser and two sons, and Mr. and funeral services at Plainview Saturday afternoon for Frank

hospital. Rev. Hart of the Plain-

view Methodist church had

ATTEND DUTCHER RITES

charge of the services at a mortuary there. Mr. Dutcher is the father of Mrs. W. E. Wanser. INFANT DIES PAGE-The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Bartos, born Thursday, November 21, in an O'-Neill hospital, died a few hours

Private funeral services

were conducted with burial in the Grimton cemetery.

BACK FROM FRANKFURT PAGE - Pfc Richard Trowhad been stationed.

Inman Father - Son Pair and O'Neill Farmer **Capture Honors**

VISIT OMAHA PLANTS

Three Holt county farmers, Clarence Ernst, of O'Neill, and Leon and Harvey Tompkins, of Inman, were among the 51 Nebraskans honored Tuesday at Omaha at the 12th annual pas-ture - forage - livestock finishup program sponsored by the Omaha Chamber of Commerce and the extension service of the University of Nebraska college of

agriculture. Simultaneously, wives of the p-f-l farmers and ranchers were entertained by the Ak-Sar-Ben. The all-day program included a tour of Omaha industries close-

ly allied with agriculture and two banquets. Among the Holt countyans attending the event were Mr. Ernst and Mr. Harvey Tompkins; their wives; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Siders, of O'Neill; Harold Burge, of O'Neill; Miss Catherine Kir-wan, of O'Neill, county home extension agent; County Agent and Mrs. A. Neil Dawes, of O'Neill,

and others. Mr. Leon Tompkins, the father in the Inman father-son combin-

'Swapper Sessions'

All visitors assembled at the Union stockyards shortly be-An overflow crowd of relatives fore noon, where they were and friends attended the funeral luncheon guests of the Omaha market interests in the main dining room in the exchange buildsive ranching operations south- ing. After a short luncheon prowest of Atkinson for many years. gram, they divided themselves into groups for a series of "swapretired from the ranch and moved per sessions" where boards of exto Atkinson. Mrs. Harley died in perts answered questions on many subjects including meat an-Survivors include two sons, imal production, livestock dis-John, jr., of Grand Island, and ease control, insect control, dairy Kasper W., of Atkinson; two ing, pasture production, and oth-

A livestock grading demonstration was staged in the yards by market experts and specialists from the extension service and

the College of Agriculture. For the evening activities, the group moved to the Omaha Chamber of Commerce rooms on iors 12-11 in the interclass bas- the 17th floor of the Woodmen ketball tourney at St. Mary's of the World building, 14th and academy this week and won the Farnam streets. There, following meet. The frosh were led by Ar- the annual banquet, pictures of len Miles, Richard McNichols, p-f-l activities taken over the state during the year were shown, and the 51 men selected whom are future Cardinai stars. for special honors received The juniors nicked the sopho- their awards. This portion of the program was under the direction of George Round, extension editor at the College of Agricul-

While attendance at the Chambe of Commerce banquet was PAGE-Methodist young peo- limited to those who represent ole from Spencer, Ewing, Cham- the p-f-l organizations in their val held here Sunday afternoon the tours and take in the programs. Crowds at the p-f-l finishup meetings in prewar years

P-F-L Began in 1935 The pasture-forage-livestock program began in 1935 as a state. pasture contest. It was an ef-fort sponsored by the Nebraska Methodist church, showed religextension service, the Omaha Chamber of Commerce, an other interested organizations, to restore the state's douth-stricken pastures.

Once the initial objective of

pasture revival was on its way, the program was broadened to cover general livestock farm management practices with emphasis on balancing livestock and feed production. During the last few years, this trend toward better balanced farming naturally has included such programs as soil and mois-

ture conservation, use of better seed, control of livestock diseases and crop pests, and a number of others. However, the primary emphasis remains where it al-Mrs. Soren Sorenson attended ways has been - on good livestock farming.

Dutcher, who died in a Norfolk Page Frosh Hold 'Backward' Party

PAGE-The freshman class of the Page high school held a "backward party" at the school house Wednesday night. The class came wearing their clothes backward. Sponsors were Supt. Earl Hurst and Mr. and Mrs. Roy

Stewart. A lunch was served. FIREMEN SUMMONED

The O'Neill volunteer fire department at 10 a.m. Monday was summoned to the Edward Moos bridge, son of Mr. and Mrs. El- residence in the eastern section mer Trowbridge, has arrived at of the city. An overheated wa-Camp Kilmer, N. J., from near ter heater had prompted a fire Frankfurt, Germany, where he alarm to be sounded. The basement was filled with smoke.

to visit relatives and friends Governor Asks Mayors to Help Conserve State's Coal Supply

Gov. Griswold Tuesday asked Nebraska mayors to take what steps they think necessary to conserve available coal supplies and see that what coal there is goes where it is needed most. The mayors should be "prepared for more stringent

action if the occasion arises,' Griswold said. O'Neill's Mayor F. J. Dishner, upon receipt of Griswold's letter, reported that "there is no need for alarm here at presbut indicated that the

pinch may be felt soon. The Moore-Noble Lumber & Coal company continues to available coal have the only supply in the city as the giant strike of 400,000 United Mine Workers enters its second week. The Moore-Noble firm is rationing coal at 1,000-

pounds per customer. Mayor Dishner said that if the strike does not terminate soon, it may be necessary for the city to make citywide fuel conservation plans.

extended west of the Missouri river. The officials of the Consumers Public Power district

At the same time as Gov. Griswold enlisted the aid of the mayors, he warned heads of the major power companies to prepare for a "brown-out" in the event the Government's power conservation orders are

were included in the alert. Secretary of Interior Krug, the Government's soil fuels administrator, had requested all governors to name a fuel con-

servator or a fuel conservation committee for each state. Griswold appointed Blaine Yoder, who is the state purchasing

No acute coal shortages have thus far been reported in O'-Neill, and most public buildings have sufficient stocks to 'weather" a comparative short The Moore-Noble firm be-

lieves that except for a severe,

extended cold wave their stocks will hold-out for several more The Spelts-Ray Lumber company, O'Neill's only other coal dealer, has been without coal in the yards for two weeks. Two carloads were received during the week, but the contents were immediately trans-

ferred to private bins.